### How to Enroll or Volunteer

If you know of someone who could benefit from this program, please call the Police Department at 706-4550, or stop by during normal business hours.

- •If you could commit about 2 hours a week to this great program, we have applications available at the front office of the Police Department.
- •All volunteers will be subject to a background check.
- •Training will be provided and you will be placed on a weekly schedule.
- •All training and calls to program participants will be made from the Police Department.

#### **Important Phone Numbers**

### Emergency 911

Non-Emergency Bluffton Dispatch	524-2777
Town Hall Main Number	706-4500
Police Department Main Number	706-4550
Municipal Court	706-4530
Business License	706-4500

A free telephone reassurance service sponsored by the Bluffton Police Department

A friendly voice will check weekly on the health and well being of:

Senior Citizens
Disabled
Homebound
Living Alone

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Police Chief
Bluffton Police Department
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Bluffton, SC 29910
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# C.A.R.E.

## Citizen Assistance Response Efforts



"A simple phone call may not be much, but for some it could be the most important part of their day."

### C.A. R. E. Program

The goal of the program is to eliminate some of the concerns facing those who live alone, thereby assisting them to remain independent. The program provides the opportunity to socialize by telephone with someone who cares. It allows individuals to keep in contact with their community and helps decrease the feelings of loneliness and isolation.





### **How Does the Program Work?**

Trained volunteers will initiate a call to the individual's home each day just to check in.

If they are unable to make contact after calling 3 days in a row, or the volunteer detects a problem, an officer will be sent to the home.

### FAQ's

### How long do the calls last?

The typical call will probably last five or six minutes.

#### What time do you call?

Calls may be made anytime between 9am and 4pm

### How much does it cost?

There is no charge for this service.

### What days are excluded?

Weekends and certain holidays are excluded from the program.

### Do I need to be referred by a physician?

No. Individuals may refer themselves, or they may be referred by a caregiver, family member, medical professional, social worker or other service provider.

#### How long does the service continue?

As long as you would like us to keep calling you!

The choice is up to you.